## HIST 281 : Introduction to American History I

Credits: 3 Class Hours: 3 lecture Prerequisites: Qualified for ENG 100. Description:

This course is a survey of American history from the Paleolithic era through the Civil War, focusing on social history - seeking to tell the story of America "from the bottom up." Students will examine major events, trends and themes in the American past from multiple perspectives and will produce a piece of original research on the early American world. Semester Offered: Fall (every even year), Spring (every even year) Designation: Diversification: Humanities – DH

## Course Student Learning Outcomes (CSLOs):

- 1. Describe, analyze and interpret the major themes in American history from the pre-Columbian period through the colonial era, the American Revolution, early 19th century and the Civil War periods.
- 2. Produce an original research paper, utilizing both primary and secondary sources.
- 3. Identify important individuals and events in American history through the Civil War.
- 4. Analyze primary source documents.